Mitchell and Reyburn, Baer, Justice and Fels, Among Those Who Have Passed Away in 1914.

Twenty-nine leading citizens of Philadelphia have been claimed by death in 1914. In January a former Mayor of the city, a noted physician and the head of a large

meted physician and the head of a large financial institution died.

Later in the year a railroad president, a widely known art collector, three Judges, the foremost single tax champion of the world, a capitalist and a former Ossistant District Attorney died.

The deaths of ex-Mayor John E. Reyburn and Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, the famous neurologist and author, occurred on the same day, two hours apart. The record of the deaths of prominent persons follows:

January 4—John E. Reyburn, ex-Mayor of Philadelphia.

of Philadelphia.

January 4-Dr. S. Weir Mitchell. Doctor Mitchell was 84 years old when he

died.
January 15-General Louis Wagner,
president of the Girard Trust Company.
January B-William W. Wiltbank,
Judge of Common Pleas Court No. 2.
January 15-Samuel Laughlin, former
superintendent, Bureau of Churitics.
February 1-Charles E. Dana, art critic
and teacher.
Echypary 2-Ranjamin M. Faires, banker.

February 2-Benjamin M. Faires, banker. February 23—Joseph Fels, head of Fels & Co., manufacturers of soap. Mr. Fels left a large fortune to be devoted to campaigns in behalf of single tax.

March 22—William C. Bullitt, former

April 28—William C. Bullitt, former legislator.

April 28—Judge James B. Holland, of the United States Circuit Court.

April 28—George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia and Reading Rallway Company.

May 18-William W. Justice, a promi-

nent Philadelphia merchant.
June 18-Thomas Dolan, president of the
United Gas Improvement Company.
July 18-Thomas M. MacDonald, mer-

July B-Lewis A. K. Mellon, Judge of the Municipal Court. Aug. 22-Francis T. Sully Darley, an art collector. August 23-The Rev. Dr. William C. Richardson, of St. James Episcopal

August 22-Ziba T. Moore, former Assistant District Attorney.

September 11—Joseph S. Vetteriein, man-

Feptember 30-J. Albert Caldwell, a mer-chent and prominent in civic work. October 14-Former Judge William N. Ashman, of the Orphans' Court. October 15-Stephen William White, for-mer railroad official. October 31-Gaorga Guest, tree many

October 31-George Guest, Iron maker. November 4—George Guest, from maker.
November 4—Charles O. Kruger, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company. Siricken while dining with friends at the Racquet Club.
November 15—Colonel Robert B, Beath, former commander of G. A. R.
December 2—William Redwood Wright, former city transurer. former city treasurer.

December 4-John Chatterton, actor and

singer. December 10-The Rev. James Houghton, Episcopal clergyman.

December 19-Otto Eisenicht, the "Five Cent Cigar King."

XMAS AT SHERWOOD CENTRE

200 Children From Shot Tower Playground Entertained.

hundred children from the Shot Playground, 2d and Christian , were the guests of the Parents' Association of the Sherwood Recreation Centre, at 55th and Christian streets, this afternoon. The children came in special cars from 2d and Christian streets and were then taken to the recreation build-ing on the grounds. The auditorium was decorated with helly and Christmas greens. Arlington Evans, director of the centre, presided and the guests were seated facing a large fireplace at one side of the building.

Several Christmas songs were sung and then quiet was ordered while Santa Claus slid down the wide chimney followed by several sacks of presents. He passed about through the audience distributing the gifts. The boys got toy automobiles and the girls received dolls. Candy, cake and fruit were passed about after the gifts were distributed and the children were finally sent back to the special cars. The entertainment in the special cars. The entertainment and gift giving will be repeated Monday night for the children of the Sherwood Centre. On Tuesday night they will appear to an audience of parents in "Christmas at Skeeterville," a Christmas pay

Four Hurt When Engine Runs Wild ATCHISON, Kan., Dec. 28.—Four men were injured and a half dozen passengers were roughly shaken up early today when a Missburt Pacific engine ran wild from the roundhouse at Omaha Junction and collided head on with an Omaha-Kansas City passenger train. The light engine was demolished and fell over on its side, but the passenger train remained on the rails. Several of the passengers leaped from the windows of the sleepers.

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STEWART W. GISRIEL

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE AIM OF Y. M. C. A. BUREAU

West Branch Will Widen Scope of Operations With New Year.

Final preparations for enlarging the scope of the Vocational Guidance Bureau of the West Branch Y. M. C. A. at 62d and Bansom streets, are being made by Stewart W. Gisriel, the educational director of the institution, who says that on January 1 the bureau will become the dominating feature of the institution.

The movement is the first of its kind to be established in the country, and is the result of observations made by Mr. Glariei among boys studying in his school. Many among boys studying in his school. Many of these, he said, are taking up shorthand and stenography merely because these branches were the usual things to learn and not because of any inclination of the pupil toward the work, and often in opposition to their desires and talents, which manifested themselves along totally different lines.

"I am convinced," said Mr. Gisriel totals, the light lines.

day, "that improper vocational education of boys materially affects their futures and that no waste of valuable possessions is so reckless as that which results from the distribution of living force by chance methods, instead of examining how work and workmen can fit one another.

When a boy comes here we don't ask him what he wants to learn, but try to get him back to what he really is and tell him what he should do, in this way becoming a psychological vocational bu-

DELAWARE'S POLITICAL STIR

Saulsbury's Attempt to Oust U. S Marshal Opposed in Both Parties,

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 26.-United tates Senator Willard Saulsbury appear to have stirred up a hornet's nest by his efforts to oust United States Marshal George L. Townsend in order to make room for Chauncey P. Holcomb, his po-litical lieutenant. The marshal has refused to resign. Saulsbury succeeded in getting out the two Republican deputy collectors of internal revenue here, though they were supposed to be under civil service, and it is expected the same thing will be done with the two deputy mar-shals after the marshal has been got out and a Democrat placed in the position.
Democrats are manifesting jealousy
over the manner in which the Senator is
taking care of Holcomb. The latter is

taking care of Holcomb. The latter is popular and has been a good political-worker, but it is assected he has done no more for the party than numerous other men. Saulsbury made Holcomb his private secretary, but Holcomb was not able to keep an eye on the political situation here while in that position. Recently he became deputy collecter of internal revenue at half the salary of private secretary, and it has been generally understood that Saulsbury expects to have him appointed marshal.

appointed marshal.

The present marshal, while a Republican, has a large number of Democratic friends, and a number of them will resent any interference with him. Saulsbury, however, wants the place, as well as a number of other places held by Republicans, and the chances are that he will get them and will fill them with his own

AFTER OPIUM SMUGGLERS

Federal Sleuths on Lookout for Wo-

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man Believed to Head Band. Unlike New York there is no smuggling of oplum through this port on a large scale, according to Philadelphia custom officials, although the oplum surrepti-tiously entered at the metropolis eventually finds it way to the Chinese of Race

here is being watched carefully by agents of the Federal Government. They are trying to find a woman said to be the head of an organized band of optium smugglers. All vessels entering this port are carefully searched when they reach their docks. their docks.

It is admitted that some light smuggling can take place between accomplices on shore and crews of vessels during the run up the river from the Delaware Capea. The custom officials, not being equipped with a motor boat, are unable to cope with this situation.

CHRISTMAS WAS MOST WONDERFUL IN CITY'S HISTORY

No Person Went Hungry and Thousands Were Fed. Skating on the Lakes in Fairmount Park.

The most wonderful Christmas Day Philadelphia has ever experienced has gone into history, but the glad carols of the Yuletide still sound today. They will continue to esund until after the first day of the New Year in nearly every home in the city, and in thousands of hearts the joy this Christmas brought will live forever.

Philadelphia surpassed itself this year in giving. After the supreme effort of supplying three ships with food for the starving Belgians, the city turned its face toward home and did more for its own por and unfortunate than at any pre-

Charitable organizations said today that o person went hungry yesterday in this city. There was provision for every one, and the most wonderful feature of the Christmas giving was that it did not wait to be asked by the poor and needy, but sought out the unfortunates and min-istered to them.

istered to them.

The day was ideal for Christmas. As predicted by the weather man, the snowfall stopped before the dawn of Christmas Day and the thousands of happy youngsters got their first opportunity to try out new sieds. There was little sleighing, the fall being not heavy enough for this apport. for this aport.

BEST SKATING OF THE WINTER. Every lake in the Park and every pond n and near the city was swept clear of anow and found to be covered with a glassy surface of ice, which made the best skating of the winter. Throughout the day men, women and children in ever increasing throngs journeyed to the Park to indulge in the sport.

Faces long missing were seen in hundreds of Philadelphia homes yesterday, according to the records of railroad travel, which was exceptionally heavy. Other faces, of those who work in Phila-delphia but have their homes elsewhere, are missing today in many instances. Everybody who could "went back home" for Christmas dinner and a happy day with the old folks. All who could re-

with the old folks. All who could remained away over today and will not return until Monday. Today has been made a full holiday by many.

One thousand families who otherwise might have had to subsist on hard crusts or go without food yesterday sat down to a bounteous Christmas dinner in their own homes, the guests of the Salvation Army. Baskets containing the dinners were distributed at Musical Fund Hall by Colonel and Mrs. Richard F. Holz, provincial officers of the army for the Atlantic Coast Province. Each contained sufficient good food for a family of six. In the hall was a big Christmas tree, and each of the hundreds of children who came to the place with their parents was given a toy.

1000 HOMELESS MEN FED The Galilee Mission at 823 Vine street tried to take care of the men without homes who were unable to buy their Christmas dinner.

One thousand were fed. The mission invited the men who early yesterday morning stood in the bread line outside the Inasmuch Mission for breakfant of end and hot coffee.

bread and hot coffee.

The one thing needed to fill to the overflowing Philadelphia's cup of happiness was the word, received yesterday, that the third food ship, the British ateamer Batiscan, Captain Green, had reached Palmouth, England. The Batiscan left this city December 8 with 300 tons of grain for the Belgians.

At every hospital, asylum and other institution of their kind in the city some kind of special observance was held. Gifts were presented to the inmates each instance. Sixteen hundred inmates

each instance. Sixteen hundred inmates of the House of Correction had the feed of their lives. Three thousand at Block-ley enjoyed Christmas Day to the uttermost, the halis and rooms of the big institution being decorated with holly and evergreens. There were gifts also for the women and children.

The Lighthouse, Lehigh avenue and Mascher street, distributed hundreds of boxes of candy, toys and other gifts to the little ones of the neighborhood. At the Eastern Penitentiary gifts were distributed to 140 children of prisoners by the Hig Brothers' Association. There was a special concert and an exceptionally good dinner for the prisoners. ally good dinner for the prisoners

HUNGRY KIDDIES FED.

One of the most interesting of the many Christmas Day detds of charity was that engineered by the Boosters' Club of the Hotel Adelphia, who took 120 children of all ages, colors and nationalities from the streets of the city and led them into the hotel for their Christmas dinner. Then they sent the Christmas dinner. Then they sent the little ones home with new shoes and plenty of toys.

Two Santa Clauses distributed the gifts

provided by the Abrahamsohn commit-tee to the patients at the University Hos-pital. Children in the Municipal and Frankford Hospitals received gifts through the generosity of the students of the William Penn High School. Toya also were distributed at the German Hospital and in the Children's Homeopathic Hos-pital. The managers of St. Joseph's Hosprovided by the Abrahamsohn con pital presented each married man em-played with a turkey and a minus ple-Each nurse received some substantial re-membrance. A special turkey dinner was provided for all patients where the doc-tors allowed it.

A dinner for all the inmates of the Catholic horses for collidgen was pro-

A dinner for all the inmates of the Catholic homes for children was provided by the Knights of Columbus. Christmas dinners also were served at the Bethany Anchorage for Giris and Women, at 366 North 6th street, and the Christian Volunteers' Church. 27 North 5th street. The Brotherhood Mission, 401 East Girard avenue, fed more than 189 families. Two hundred backets were distributed by the Hedford Street Mission. 617 Kater street, and 200 by the Heiping Hand Rescue Mission. The Betheada Rescue Mission was host to 180 men at 118 South street.

Baskets filled with Christmas dinner were distributed by the Baptist Church, Frankford avenue and Setterly street. Other organizations distributed baskets or fed men at the tables of their head-quarters, according to their facilities.

SAILORS OBSERVE DAY. Special observance of the day was held

Special observance of the day was held on nourly every ship at anchor in the port of Philadeliphia, or at the sallor's mission houses. At League Island the Y. M. C. A. had a vaudavilie entertainment after the big Christmas dinner for those unable to get leave of absence to so home for the day.

Provest and Mrs. Edgar Fahs Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, gave a dinner to be students of the University, whe included it different nationalities. The affair was held at the Houston Club. Anthony J. Decasi Biddle personally greeted nearly 1000 members of the University Mount Version sixed.

In Canada muching was left unders to walks a hersonna salemania for all. Every home and resituation is the city covider a figuration.



ALFRED M. COLLINS Bryn Mawr polo player, who sall-ed today with exploring expedi-tion to Bolivia.

COLLINS-DAY PARTY SAILS

Members of Expedition Will Explore South American Wilds.

The Collins-Day trans-South American expedition left New York today on the United Fruit steamer Matapan for the most remote unexplored parts of the Southern Continent. Alfred M. Collins, Southern Continent. Airred M. Colina, of Bryn Mawr, big game hunter, and L. Garnet Day, of New York, are in charge of the expedition, and are accompanied by Robert H. Becker and George K.

by Robert H. Becker and George K. Cherrie, naturalists.
At Panama the party will take a ship for Mollendo, Peru. Thence they will go inland by rail to the Andes, exploring Lake Titicaca, the highest lake in the world. Leaving La Paz, on the eastern slope of the mountains, the party will go down to Bolivia's swamps and strike directly into the least known por-

tions of that mysterious country.

Mr. Collins is secretary and treasurer
of the Bryn Mawr Polo Club and is one
of the best polo players in this part of

CITY PAID OUT \$24,408,000 FOR GIFTS

Continued from Page One proved capable enough an allied enemy to overcome the great big spirit of generous Christmas giving.

"SPUGS" IN MAJORITY.

In round numbers each and every on of the million and a half residents in Philadelphia played Santa Claus to the extent of spending \$16.26 apiece. Maybe they couldn't afford it-that is neither here nor there-but the temptation was

here nor there—but the temptation was strong and they succumbed. A marked difference distinguishing the Christmas shopping of 1914 from that of former times was the noticeable increase in the number of useful purchases made. If an article was beautiful and useful at the same time well and good, but it it was merely beautiful with no earmarks of utility about it, it was more than marks of utility about it, it was more than likely to be passed by this year.

According to the majority of the merchants this was the "little man's" year. It was the wealthy who did most of the

economizing. As a leading jeweler ex-pressed it, "the man who usually gives a \$10,000 necklace to his wife this year cut the amount to \$5000; the \$5000 man spent about \$3000, and the \$3000 man \$1000. Under that sum the purchases were about the same this as in other years." the same this as in other years."

Haberdashery shops report that never before were so many gifts bought with the idea of durability and longevity than this season. "Will it wear well?" was the question heard on all sides. "Loud" socks, ties that screamed their presence and shirts of the peppermint-stick and harber-pole variety were more or less taboo.

taboo.

The comment of the heads of the clothing departments in the big shops were much in the same strain. Wives who heretofore received extravagant gimeracks and geegaws from their better halves, this year showed a decided pref-erence for sensible wearing apparel.

Heavy topcoats, furs and evening dresses were popular gifts.

According to the preprietors of the little According to the proprietors of the little specialty shops tucked here, there and everywhere in the heart of Philadelphia, the sale of walsts was never more tremendous than this season, and if their figures are to be believed half the feminine population of the city received at least one blouse in its Christmas stock-

ing.

The aggregate amount spent in jewelry, and always totaled more The aggregate amount spent in lewelry, flowers, candy and cigars totaled more than three millions, which, compared to the 21 remaining millions spent in useful Christmas giving, is a small sum, and proves this to have been one of the sanest holiday seasons we have ever had.

PESSIMISM ROUTED. Although from a financial standpoint the season of 1914 cannot be exactly termed a banner one, yet so lowering has been the commercial atmosphere with the Stock Exchange closed, factories runthe Stock Exchange closed, ractories run-ning at half time and insistent rumors of large numbers of unemployed that the merchants approached the season with rather a pessimistic mien, in much the same manner, in fact, as the Christmas shopper himself approached it. He won-dered where the money was coming

But, strange as it may seem, Christ-mas money, like the irrepressible dolly in "The Lady of the Decoration," bobs on The Lady of the Decoration, code up willy nilly; and when the time came to go forth into the shopping marts each and every individual discovered that he had at least \$15 to spend that he really didn't know saything about. The result being that he spent it and everybody had a Merry Christmas.

GLENSIDE BLAZE THROWS HUNDRED MEN OUT OF WORK

Two Families Homeless-Rebuilding

Plans Made by Employers.

Two families are homeless today and 100 men are out of employment following a Christmas Day fire which swept the lumber yards of Frank C. Justice and the buildings and stables of Morris W. Weiff, contractor, at Glenside, and caused a loss of about \$115,000. Thirteen fire companies from northern suburban towns and a steamer company were called to fight the flames, while thousands of spectators from every town north of City Line flocked to Glenside.

Three fire companies from Jenkintown, Edgehill and Glenside were still directing streams of water on the ruins were covered with ice. The temperature was six degrees above zero.

The owners of all concerns whose buildings were burned said today they would immediately rebuild and would devise plans to continue work pending reconstruction. They said nose of their menuminations and work for more than a week. Flans Made by Employers.

Blut in Quarrel in Poelroom J. Johnson, a Negro, S years old, of 1110 Rodman street, is in the Petpolisia. Housetal in a serious condition with a hullet in his abdoman. Harry Ardarson, prygratics of a pool room at 11th and Rodman man street, is under arrest, charged with abouting Johnson following an argument way the allowing following an argument for the use of a good lattice.

AMENDMENT IN AID OF HIGH-SPEED PLAN IS URGED BY RYAN

City Solicitor Finds Conflict in Proposed Changes in Constitution to Facilitate City Loans.

The necessity for the next Legislature to drop one of the two proposed amendments to the State Constitution increasing the borrowing capacity of the city for transit and port development is urged by City Solicitor Ryan in a letter to John P. Connelly, chairman of Councils' Legislative Committee.

The amendments conflict, says the City Solicitor, and he advises that the Legislature be asked to pass only the one providing for comprehensive port development and the completion of Director Taylor's program for rapid transit.

The two amendments are known as No. 2, or the Taylor amendment, and No. 5, or the Vare amendment, The Taylor amendment authorises the City of Philadelphia to increase its indebtedness from 7 to 10 per cent. upon the assessed valuation of taxable property for transit and

delphia to increase its indebtedness from 7 to 10 per cent upon the assessed valuation of taxable property for transit and port development. This is the amendment which the City Solicitor says should be adpoted. The Vare amendment was originally proposed on behalf of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, and provides that additional indebtedness shall not in the aggregate exceed \$25,000,000, and shall be applicable only to port development. Both were passed by the Legislature in 1913.

"There can be no question of the wisdom of unfettering our municipality," the City Solicitor said in his letter. "Even with the creation of the school district as a separate entity, and the clothing of it with the power of taxation and debt-making, the limitation now existing is only 9 per cent.—7 for the city and 2 for the schools. In many parts of the State taxable property may be subject to four differently created debts of 7 per cent. each, or a total of 28 per cent.; and the argument is unanswerable that Philadelphia should be permitted, if its citizens so desire, as expressed by their votes, to break down the barriers that are interfering with its progress.

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"If both of the proposed amendments should be adopted, the actual text of the Constitution would be—so far as this section is concerned—shrouded in the greatest obscurity and uncertainty and the purpose of advancing the city of Philadelphia defeated.

"As between the two proposals, it is seen that No. 2 is by far the more liberal and the more practicable. It provides not only for the improvement of wharves and docks and reclamation of wharves and docks and reclamation of land, as does No. 6, but also for the con-struction and imbprovement of subways, tunnels, railways, elevated railways and other transit facilities."

LEAPS FROM WINDOW INTO ICY CANAL AND SAVES MAN

Athletic Greek Calls His Deed "Really Nothing."

A little thing like jumping out of a second-floor window into an ics-coated canal to rescue an aged man from drowning is a mere trifle in the mind of B. I. ing is a mere trifle in the mind of B. I. Evans, an athletic Greek. He saved Edward Dailey, 61 years old, 411 Terrace street, from drowning in the Schuylkill Canal at Manayunk on Christmas Eve. "It was really nothing. I am a good swimmer, so I took no chance whatever." modestly said Evans, as he rubbed a brutsed chest and shoulder, the result of fighting his way through the ice to the drowning man's side.

drowning man's side.

drowning man's side.

Evans conducts a confectionery store at 490 Main street. Manayunk. Late Christmas Eve, while his place was crowded with customers, he heard cries for heip. From a rear window, opening on the canal, he saw a man struggling in the water. Stripping off his coat, he leaped out of the window to the canal. The ice broks under his weight and it took him five minutes to fight his way to Dailey's side. Dailey's side.

Both men suffered severely from the loy water, but now are out of danger. Dailey had attempted to walk across the ice when he went through.

BUSINESS MEN PROVIDE CHEER More than a score of families in West Philadelphia were enabled to enjoy a merry Christmas through the liberality of the Sixtieth and Market Street Business Men's Association. In addition to receiving ample Christmas dinners, many families were supplied with shoes and clothing. The gifts were distributed by Miss A. E. Grimes, of the Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children from Cruelty, who devoted all Christmas Day to the work.

SAUNTERED INTO CELL

When William Duffy, 52d and Market streets, is sleepy he is not particular as to where he rests, but he was warned toto where he rests, but he was warned today by Magistrate Boyle that he could not
use a police station as a lodging house.
Duffy sauntered into the fist and Thompson streets station late on Christmasnight and casually dropped in a cell to
have a nap. A sergeant passing the cell
later saw him asless and noticed the cell
door was unlocked. When he reprimanded the turnkey for not locking the door
the latter was surprised to learn that
he had a prisoner.



DR. CLARENCE S. FISHER

DR. FISHER, EGYPTOLOGIST, ARRIVES SAFELY AT CAIRO

U. of P. Expedition Will Begin Search Despite War.

A cablegram from Catro, Egypt, has just been received announcing the arrival of Dr. Clarence S. Fisher, leader of the University of Pennsylvania Museum's Eckley B. Coxe, Jr.'s, expedition, to dig further in Egypt. Doctor Fisher ancounced that preparations were going forward rapidly to begin digging, in spite of the reports that the Turks were approaching the Suez Canal.

proaching the Suez Canal.

A letter was received at the same time from Doctor Fisher, while in London, saying he had purchased the entire equipment for the expedition and there had been no hitch in his plans. He expressed surprise over the fact that in London the war had made very little change in the normal life of the people. He feared he would have difficulty in getting gold for his Egyptian laborers, but found the metal was used in the shops as if there was no war.

metal was used in the shops as if there was no war.

He hopes to be able to begin digging early in January. He has three sites in view. A selection will be made after visiting all of them. The expedition has the invaluable advice of Prof. Flanders Uctrie, the most expert Egyptologist in the world. Doctor Fisher has had ten years' experience in Egypt and other parts of the Orient and hopes to obtain many valuable relics. nany valuable relica.

WEALTHY POULTRY DEALER QUESTIONED IN BAFF CASE

Ex-president of Association Examined in District Attorney's Office. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-William Simo realthy poultry dealer, formerly president of the Live Poultry Dealers' Protective Association, appeared in the Criminal Courts Building today for an interview Courts Building today for an interview with District Attorney Whittman concerning the murder of Barnet Baff. There was a persistent rumor in the building that the automobile in which the murderers escaped had been found, but the police refused to comment on this.

Another development, it was said, was the journey of two detectives to Buffalo, where they are hunting for a man first ought as a material witness in the case but now believed to be one of the ring-leaders in the plot. Simon reiterated his declaration that he knew nothing of the Baff case, but despite this Mr. Whitman's assistants conducted his preliminary ex-amination with the same secrecy that had been maintained with the other with had been maintained with the other wit-

MARRIED AT ELKTON

Fifteen Couples Visit Maryland's Gretna Green Today.

ELKTON, Md., Dec. 26.-Thirty young

persons from Pennsylvania and New Jer-

sey came to Elkton on the morning trains today and were married. They were: Warren R. Snow and Elizabeth D. Campbell, Herbert Whitehead and Mary L. Hughes, Donald W. Banford and Lou-ise C. Davidson, Robert Steele, Jr., and Josephine Barkoll and Thomas R. Courtney and Minnle Fleming, all of Philadelphia; Leland S. Hubbell and Ethel P. Hubbell, Chester; Irvin McCreary and Geraldine Heberling, Northumberland; Gordon R. Hunter, Millville, and Beatrice Somers, Bridgeton, N. J.; Robert J. Diehl; South Bethlehem, and Mamie C. Seigfried, Allentown; Walter McClyment and Mary A. Elliott, Chester; Harry H. Pyott, Jr., and Eva M. Spohn, Boyerstown; Harry C. Riley and Mary E. Searfoss, Trenton, N. J.; Grant A. Zaring and Alva Josephine Barkoll and Thomas R. Court-Harry C. Riley and Mary E. Searcose, Trenton N. J.; Grant A. Zaring and Alva Leichleitner, Shamokin; Harry D. Under-cuffer and Annie Thompson, Norristown; Eugene W. Robbins and Helen R. Cole, Millville, N. J.

Robbed the Christmas Stockings Liquor caused Robert Lowry, of 23d street and Ridge avenue, to rob the refrigerator and Christmas stockings of the family of Andrew Burkelbach, of 26th and Dauphin streets, yesterday, according to the man's statement before Magistrate Morrie in the 25th and Vork streets at Morris in the 26th and York streets sta tion this morning. Upon his promise to pay for the damage he did, Lowry re ceived the minimum sentence of five days in the House of Correction.

ALL HAVE EQUAL CHANCE TO VISIT FAR WEST FREE Evening Ledger - Public

Ledger Contest Offers Fine Opportunity to Attend Big Expositions.

Requests for information concerning the EVENING LEDGER-PUBLIC LEDGER plan to send 50 persons to the Panama-Pasis. and San Diego Expositions free of charge are beginning to pile up today in the office of the contest editor. Philadelphiane apparently are going to get hard at work on the contest now that Christman

Under the point system of keeping reords to be used by the contest editor, as favoritism can be shown, and each es-testant has an equal chance with all others to be among the fortunate in Only employes of the Public Lances and Evening Lenger and members of their families are barred from parties

pating in the contest.

May, 1915, will see the end of the contest, and that means just five menus are available for those who wish to see are available for those who wish to see the two wonderful expositions of all times and the natural marvels of the West at the same time, all without cost. Then who take the trip will be the guest's the Evening Ledona and Pomic Ledona Everything will be provided for them. They will not have to spend a penny at the trip, and there will be the best of everything. everything.

Full information as to the details of the contest may be obtained from the contest editor. Every day of delay now may mean that some one else gets into

the lucky 10.

The work required in the contest is pleasant, and it is work that may be undertaken by any self-respecting man or woman. It is a pure business propestion, one that may be put up to level tion, one that may be put up to seven-headed business men successfully. All that is needed to get this trip to the Pacific coast and back again free er charge is a little ambition. The new-papers will do the rest.

DISCHARGE OF PICKPOCKETS AROUSES DETECTIVES

Magistrates Are Unable to Hold Sas

pects Pending Investigations. Difficulty is being experienced by the Detective Bureau in getting Magistries to hold men arrested as thieves and pickpockets. Detectives Scanlor and McCarthy today complained that the law regarding this matter did not enable them to obtain the proper evidence for the conviction of many men who prey upon the public in the streets and par-

ticularly on street cars.

According to these detectives and tientenant Wood, many pickpocket suspens were brought up before Magistrate Reashaw in the Central Police Station dur-ing the past few days whom the Manu-trates refused to hold, on the ground the detectives did not have sufficient evi-dence. Detectives McCarthy and Scanler say that in instances where pickpockets co-operate it is easy for them to conceal their work in a manner which does not

justify their conviction.

"The only way in which we can get evidence or show reasonable ground for the conviction and holding of pickpockets is to look up their records. To do this is to look up their records. To do this we must have some time, but the Mag-istrate is obliged to discharge them under

the law."
Lieutenant Wood recommended as a Leutenant Wood recommended as a remedy that the proper authorities, par-ticularly the District Attorney's office, should try to have the law amended in a manner which would permit the Mas-istrates to hold pickpocket suspects and give the Detective Bureau or the police a chance to produce the evidence against them.



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